# Electric Vehicles in Delaware

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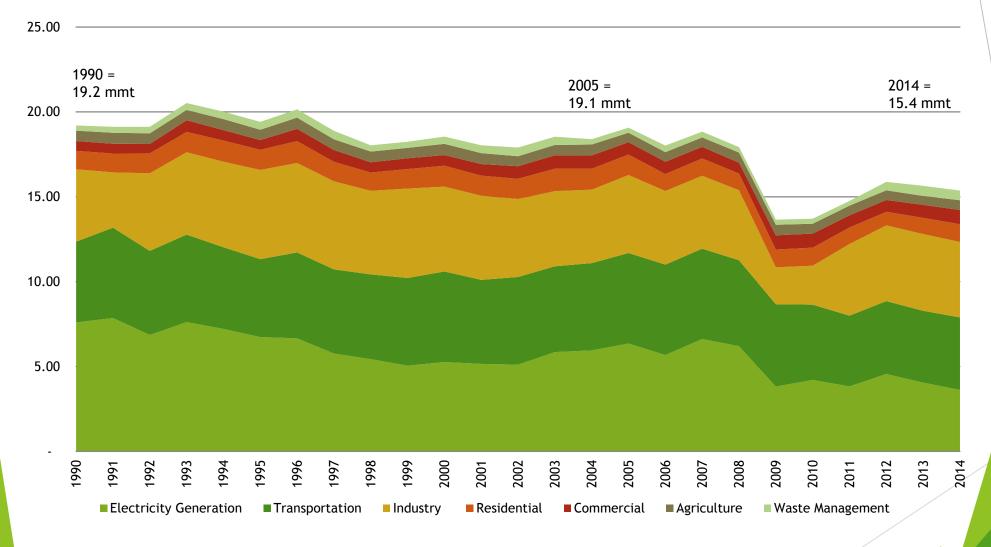
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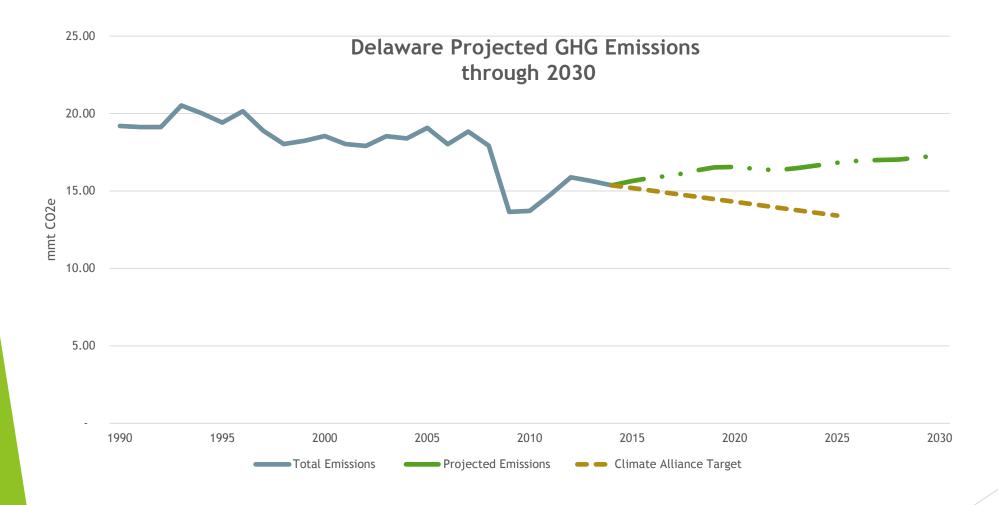
## Background

- In 2009, Delaware joined the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI)
  - ▶ 11 states participate
  - Regional cap and trade program
  - Provides funds to Delaware for programs that reduce greenhouse gases in Delaware
- ▶ In 2013, Governor Markel signed Executive Order 41:
  - Directed state agencies develop recommendations to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in Delaware
  - ▶ Working group recommended a: 30% greenhouse gas reduction from a 2008 baseline by 2030
- In 2017, Delaware joined the US Climate Alliance
  - ▶ A group of 15 states (including Puerto Rico) that agreed to meet the greenhouse gas reduction targets set in the Paris Accord
    - ▶ The United States is the only country in the world that has not signed on to the agreement

## Delaware's GHG Emissions (1990-2014) by Economic Sector (DRAFT)

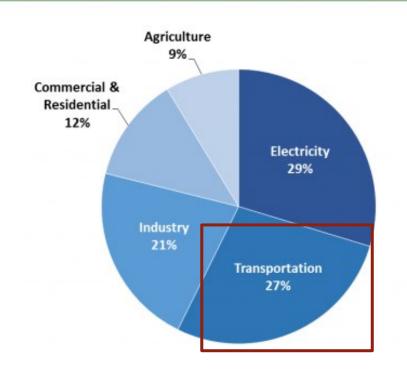


#### Delaware Still Has Work to do

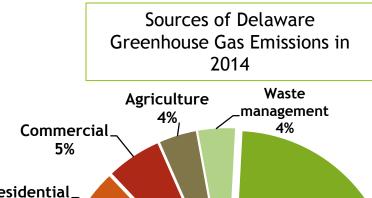


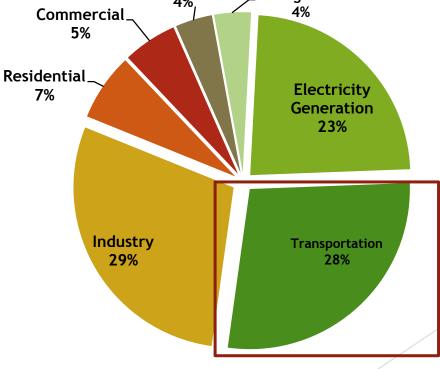
## Why Focus on Transportation?

#### Sources of Greenhouse Gas Emissions in 2015

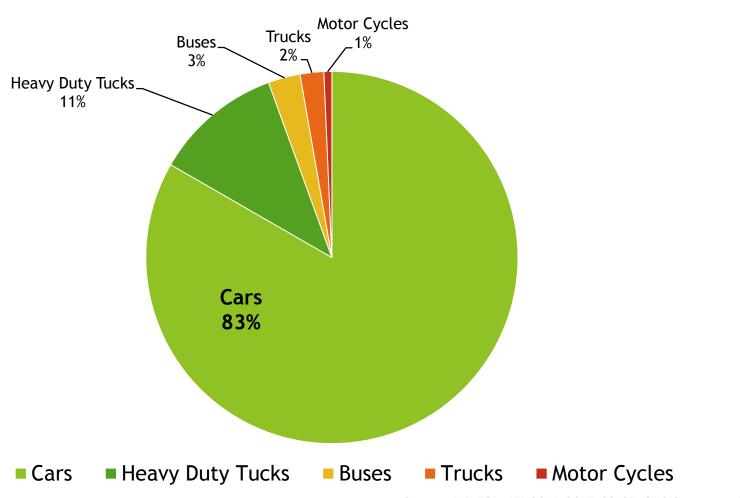


U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2017). Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-2015





#### Delaware 2014 Vehicles - Sources of CO<sub>2</sub>



### **Electric Vehicles**

- Considered an alternative fuel under the US Energy Policy Act of 1992
- Three types:
  - Battery electric



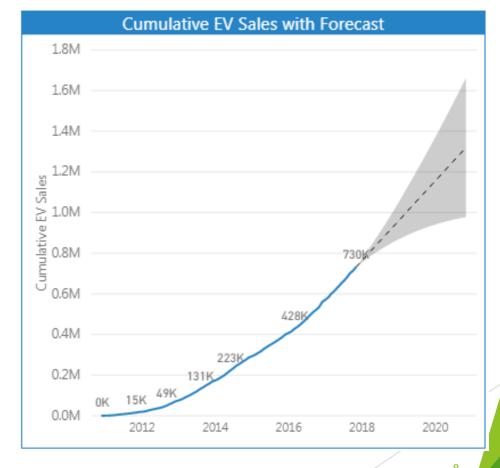
Plug-in Hybrid



Hybrid



- ▶ 38 models available
  - ▶ 18 Automakers



Source: EV Hub

#### **Electric Vehicles**

- ▶ While electricity production still emits greenhouse gasses, electric vehicles reduce greenhouse gases by up to 5,790 lbs. annually.
  - As more renewable energy sources are integrated into the grid, emissions from the electricity used to "fuel" an EV will decrease
- More efficient to reduce greenhouse gasses from a power plant than individual cars
- Electric vehicles:
  - ► Convert about 59%-62% of the electrical energy from the grid to power at the wheels
- Conventional gasoline vehicles:
  - ► Convert about 17%-21% of the energy stored in gasoline to power at the wheels

Source: FuelEconomy.gov

## Initiatives at the Division of Energy and Climate

- Clean Transportation Incentive Program
- Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Grant
- FHWA Alternative Fuel Corridor
- Volkswagen Mitigation Trust Fund
- Regional Partnerships
  - Delaware Clean Cities Coalition
  - Transportation Climate Initiative

## Clean Transportation Incentive Program

- Started in July, 2015; revised in November 2016
- Three components:
  - Clean Vehicle Rebate Program;
  - Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Rebate Program;
  - ► Heavy-Duty Vehicle Rebate Program



Funding provided through RGGI

## Clean Vehicle Rebate Program

- Rebates for:
  - Delawareans
  - ▶ Delaware Businesses and non-profits
  - Delaware counties and municipalities
- Individuals are eligible for one rebate

- Businesses and fleets are eligible for six rebates
- Developed a strong relationship with vehicle dealerships in Delaware

Type of Vehicle/Vehicle Technology	Rebate Amount per Vehicle
Battery Electric Vehicles	\$3,500
Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles (including gasoline range extenders)	\$1,500
Retrofitted Battery Electric and Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles	\$1,500
Battery Electric or Plug-in Hybrid Vehicles with MSRP >\$60,000	\$1,000
Dedicated Propane or Natural GasVehicles	\$1,500
Bi-Fuel Propane or Natural Gas Vehicles	\$1,350
Heavy-Duty dedicated Natural Gas Trucks (class 7 and 8)	\$20,000

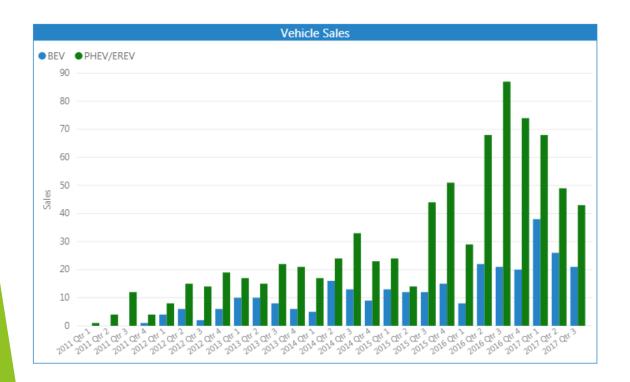
## Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Rebate Program

- Level 2 charging stations (220/240 V)
- Rebates for charging station only
  - ▶ Labor, electrical upgrades, conduit, etc. are ineligible
- Individuals are eligible for 1 rebate
- Commercial properties and workplaces are eligible for 6 rebates

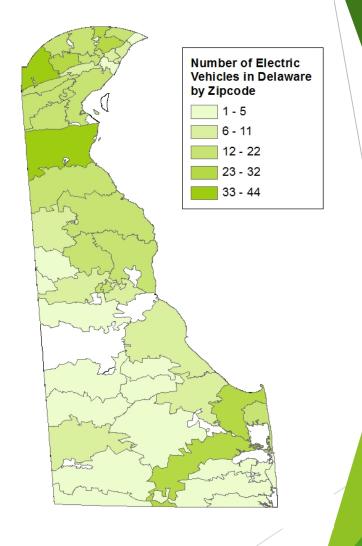
Electric Vehicle Charging Station Rebates		
Property Type	Rebate amount	
Residential	50% of the cost of the EVSE up to \$500	
Commercial	75% of the cost of the EVSE up to \$2,500	
Workplace*	75% of the cost of the EVSE up to \$5,000	

### Program Success

- 562 rebates for electric vehicles
  - All three counties
- 168 rebates for charging stations
  - Mostly residential

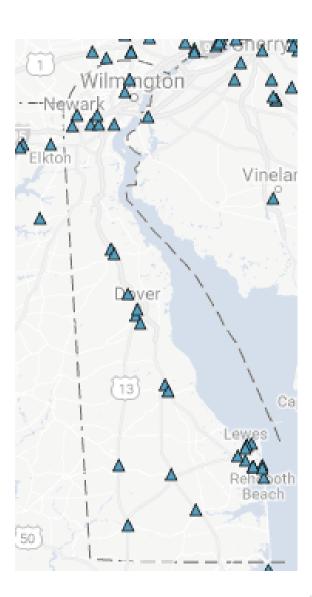


#### **Electric Vehicles in Delaware**



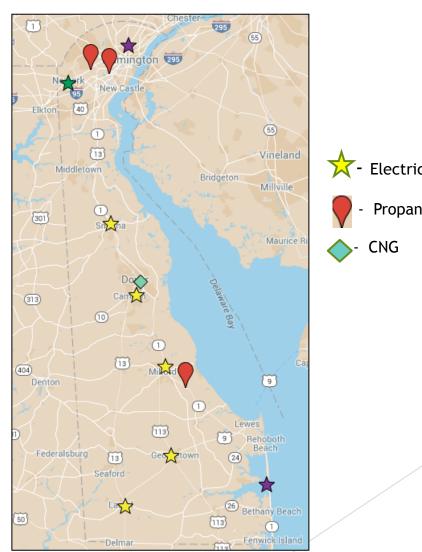
## Electric Vehicle Charging Stations in Delaware

- 31 Charging Locations
- 94 Charging Stations
  - 37 DC Fast Chargers (mostly Tesla)
- Gaps:
  - Middletown
  - Wilmington
  - Municipalities
  - Downtowns



### Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Grant

- **Competitive Grant**
- Grants up to \$500,000/project
- Open to:
  - Compressed Natural Gas
  - Propane
  - DC Fast Charging Stations
  - Hydrogen





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### Alternative Fuel Corridor Nominations

- ▶ 2016 a regional nomination was submitted
  - ▶ Delaware's component of I-95 was selected as a corridor for electric vehicle charging
- **2017** 
  - ▶ In coordination with DelDOT
  - Required that highways were "signage ready"
  - Submitted a nomination for DC Fast Charging stations along three corridors:
    - ▶ DE-SR 1
    - ▶ US-113
    - **▶** US-13



## Volkswagen Mitigation Trust Fund

- In 2016, a Partial Consent Decree was finalized between US Department of Justice and the Volkswagen (VW) Corporation
  - ▶ Delaware was awarded ~\$9 million (based on number of affected vehicles sold in the state).
  - ▶ Delaware must use this money to fund projects that mitigate air quality impacts from high-emitting diesel vehicles and engines.
  - ▶ 15% of these funds can go towards EV Charging Infrastructure
  - Funds must be used within 10 years
  - ► Can only access 1/3 of the funds at a time
- Division of Energy and Climate will be managing EVSE component (~\$1.5 million)
  - Division of Air Quality will manage the rest of the funds
- ▶ First round of EVSE funding will go to DC Fast Charging Infrastructure

## Regional Partnerships

- Transportation Climate Initiative
  - ▶ 11 states
  - Focused on increasing alternative fuels in region
  - ► Looking at market-based policies for Transportation



- Clean Cities
  - ▶ US Department of Energy sponsored program
  - Over 100 Coalitions throughout the country
    - ► Tasked with reducing petroleum use in the United States
  - Delaware Coalition:
    - ▶ 40 Stakeholders
    - Promote alternative fuels in Delaware



### Conclusion

- ► The Division of Energy and Climate is looking to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector
  - ▶ Help Delaware meet the goals of the Climate Alliance
- Successful Program
  - Over 550 Delawareans have purchased EVs within the past 2.5 years
  - Available for both businesses and Delawareans
- Regional partnerships:
  - ► TC
  - Clean Cities
- Alternative Fuel Infrastructure in Delaware increasing
  - 94 charging stations
  - Volkswagen Settlement Funds for additional infrastructure

## Questions?

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